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Anna Edman Örlfors, et al.

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For: METHOD FOR SEQUENCING DNA USING A  
MICROFLUIDIC DEVICE

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Box Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**In the Claims**

Please substitute the following amended claims contained herein for claims 1-8 that were in the original PCT application. Applicants have included in Appendix A, a marked version of the claims to illustrate the changes contained herein.